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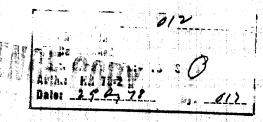
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- The Corubso Mines were formerly known as the Pirin Mining A.G.. The mine managment is in Euroghali. The director of the Corubso Mines is a certain Mustakov, who is of Soviet nationality. Mustakov is 35 years old, or average height, fat, and almost bald. The main flotation installation is in Kurdzhali where the ore is ground, washed, and distributed. In Kurdzhali there is also an automobile-repair workshop with a machine section (with lathes, boring machines et cetera) where new parts are manufactured, a workshop for repairing diesel motors, electromotors, charging batteries, and repairing installations, as well as other auxiliary workshops. The entire production of the Corubso Mines is forwarded to the USSR.
- The First Mining Administration is situated in the Borieva Reka Mins approximately six kilometers south of Madan village, Smolyan area. The Konski Dol, Krushev Dol, and Petrovitsa Mines came under the first Mining Administration. The chief of the first Mining Administration is a certain Domashenkov, a White Russian approximately 35 years old who has fair hair and who resides with his wife at the Borieva Reka Mine. The head mining engineer is a certain Gorsrev, a White Russian approximately as years old, of average height and black hair who resides at the mine. The chief technician of the mines is Alexandur Petrov, alias "Sasho", age 35, of average height, black hair, who lives with his family at the mine, and who is a member of the Communist Party. In 1949, there were approximately eight hundred miners in the First Mining Administration.



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- 5. Ore is obtained from 5 or 6 mines and other mines are now being empleited. The ore is located at depths of 250 m., 150 m., 100 m., 50 m., and less. The ore is loaded in small mine cars, which weigh four hundred kilograms empty, pulled by a small locomotive which takes them to the station where there are six bunkers for collecting the ore and an electric cracker for crushing the ore. From the bunkers the crushed ore is transported to Kurdzhali by aerial cable cars. It is presumed that the daily output of the mine is two hundred fifty tons.
- A. In the Borieva Reka Mine there are approximately twenty trucks: seven naphtha MAZ trucks, Russian model, provided with automatic oil driven unloading mechanism, which are used to transport ore from the Petrovitsa, Konski Dol, and Krushev Dol Mines, lumber from Scolyan and Chepelare, to carry material to Kurdzhali, and to provide the mines with cement and other construction material; eight 2-ton trucks with gas engines,

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driven unloading mechanism, which are used for the same ourposes as the

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above-mentioned trucks; five 3-ton trucks, with gas engines,

Soviet model.

- 5. At the Borieva Reka Mine there is a machine workshop with three lathes and two boring machines for manufacture of parts to be used in the mine, a blacksmith shop for repair of the tools and drills used in lining the ore, and a carpenter's shop for preparing the wooden supports for the shafts.
- 6. The mine is guarded by fifteen illitiation, a senior militiation and a militia lieutenant. For single miners, there are three 3-story barracks each of which has twenty rooms, and there are eight buildings for families.
- 7. The Second Mining Administration is housed in the Gudurska line, approxirately 4 or 5 kilometers northwest of the Erna Reka village, Zlatograd
 ares. Until 6 or 7 February 1951, the chief of the second lining Administration was Misho Makarov, a White Russian, about 50 years old,
 tall, fair hair. After 6-7 February he was replaced by a certain
 Simmonov, approximately 40 years old, short, fair hair, residing with
 his family at the line. The chief engineer of the rine is Ivan Ivanovich,
 a Write Russian, approximately 35 years old, tall, with reddish hair,
 residing with his family at the mine. The chief technician is Gancho
 Mikelev, approximately 28, short brown hair, residing with his fa ily
 at the mine. Communist Perty member.
- The cre is obtained from 5 or 6 kines, and there are others which are now being exploited. The ore is dug at a level of 250 m., 150 m., 100 m., or less under the ground. The ore is loaded on small time cars pushed by hard and is then poured into a big bunker from which it is transported by serial cable cars to the Borieva Reka fine where it is crushed and forwarded to Kurdzhali. There are approximately six hundred minors employed at the Gudurska fline, and the daily output of the hire is presumably approximately one hundred fifty tons of iron ore.

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- 9. There are sixteen trucks at the Gudurska (ine: three namhtha 7-ton MaZ trucks with autopatic dusping mechanism, Soviet model; eight 22-and 2-ton MIS gasoline trucks with automatic dusping mechanism; three 3-ton ZIS-5 gasoline trucks; one 4-ton ZIS-150 gasoline truck, and one 3-ton Ford gasoline truck.
- 10. There is a machine workshop with a lathe, a boring machine, and two shapers, a welding installation, an electric welding installation; a smithy, a carpenter's shop; and other scaller auxiliary workshops.
- 11. The mine is guarded by twenty militiamen, two senior militiamen, and a militia lieutenant. There is an eight-room barracks for the miners.
- 12. The Third Mining Administration is situated in Srednogortsi village, Smolyan area. The Boova Mine (formerly the Rudopski Petal Mine) is in the Boeva region, Sholyan area. The chief of the Third Mining Administration, Boeva Mine, is a certain Mandzhukov, of Sofia, approximately 35 years old, tall, black hair, Communist, residing at the rine. The chief technician of the Boeva Mine is a certain Radunchev, approximately 28 years old, tall, brown hair, Communist, residing at the mine.
- 13. There are approximately four hundred riners at the Boeva sine, and on 10 February 1951 approximately two hundred trudovaks were assigned for work at the mine and are residing there. There are three underground mines from which the ore is taken; it is loaded a small hand drawn mining cars and is then collected in a bunker, from which it is transported by the Second Mining Administration trucks to the Borieva Reka sine.
- 14. The Sveti Georgi Mine, situated two kilometers from the Bosya Cline, is under the Third Mining administration. The mine is guarded by ten militianen and a senior militianen.
- 25. The largest flotation installation is in Kurdzhali where the ore is ground, washed, and distributed. There is also a flotation installation in the Srednogortsi village, Smolyan area. In Madan, Smolyan area, there is another flotation installation under construction. The ore contains lead, pyrite, copper, zinc and other admixtures. The mines are in the border area, and a travel permit is needed to enter or leave them. The miners have one year permits which are similar to identity cards and are issued by the Militia Office at the mines.
 - 3. Comment: Information on the Corubso Mines was previously